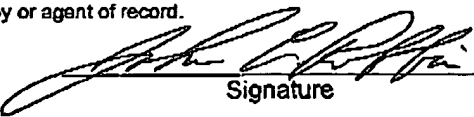


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<p>In re Application of: MCGRATH, et al.</p> <p>Application No. 09/801,831</p> <p>Filed: March 9, 2001</p> <p>For: Automated Apparatus Including a Robotic Arm for Loading Samples into Wells for First Dimension Electrophoresis Separation</p>	
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WHEREAS, We, Andrew McGrath, N. Leigh Anderson and Jack Goodman and, all citizens of the United States of America, residing respectively at 1) 14126 Angelton Terrace, Burtonsville, MD 20866, 2) 1759 Willard Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009, and 3) PO Box 103, 1415 Crab House Road, Lusby, MD 20657, (hereinafter ASSIGNORS), have made a certain invention entitled **AUTOMATED APPARATUS INCLUDING A ROBOTIC ARM FOR LOADING SAMPLES INTO WELLS FOR FIRST DIMENSION ELECTROPHORESIS SEPARATION** for which we are making application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application was filed March 9, 2001 and is accorded Serial No. 09/801,831; and

WHEREAS, LARGE SCALE PROTEOMICS CORP., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of Maryland, located and doing business at 20451 Goldenrod Lane, Germantown, Maryland 20876 (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforementioned invention and the aforementioned application and any and all Letters Patent to be obtained on said invention and/or application;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

BE IT KNOWN that for good and valuable consideration paid to us by said ASSIGNEE the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the ASSIGNORS and, by these presents do hereby sell, assign, set over and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives or assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention in and for the United States and all countries foreign thereto; and in, to and under the aforesaid United States application and any corresponding foreign applications and any divisional, continuing, substitute or reissue applications or supplementary disclosures which may be filed on said invention in any country; and our right to file said foreign applications and claim priority under the provisions of the International Convention; and any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country issued or granted on said invention and/or said applications;

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Patent Office or other issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said invention and/or said application to said ASSIGNEE as sole assignee; and we further hereby authorize said ASSIGNEE to file and prosecute any of said foreign applications in its own name;

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any assignment or other instrument in conflict herewith;

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree to communicate to said ASSIGNEE, or its legal representatives, successors or assigns, any facts relating to said invention, including

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunder set our hand and seal

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Date Andrew McGrath

05/24/01 N. Leigh Anderson
Date N. Leigh Anderson

05-21-01 Jack Goodman
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